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Norberto SAINZ DE LA MAZA ESCOBAL et al

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International Application No.: PCT/ES2004/000260

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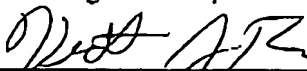
Sir:

Further to the telephone conversation that Applicants' undersigned attorney had with Ms. Wallace of the National Stage Division of the United States Patent and Trademark Office PCT Operations section, Applicants enclose an unsigned copy of the transmittal letter that was filed in the above identification application on January 18, 2006. Ms. Wallace has indicated that the copy of the transmittal letter that was received by the Patent Office identified International Application Number PCT/ES2004/000256. However, the correct International Application Number for the present application is PCT/ES2004/000260, as is indicated on the enclosed copy of the transmittal letter and as was indicated on the second page of the transmittal letter received by the patent Office. Thus, it appears that the first page of the transmittal letter received by the Patent Office included a typographical error. Correction of this error is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>				U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. <b>PCT/ES2004/000260</b>		INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE <b>7 June 2004</b>		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED <b>18 July 2003</b>	
TITLE OF INVENTION <b>COUPLING SYSTEM BETWEEN HIGH-VOLTAGE ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT</b>					
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US <b>Norberto SAINZ DE LA MAZA ESCOBAL et al.</b>					
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:					
<p>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.</p> <p>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.</p> <p>3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.</p> <p>4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).</p> <p>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</p> <p>6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</p> <p>7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</p> <p>8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</p> <p>9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An executed oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).</p> <p>10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).</p> <p><b>Items 11 to 20 below concern other document(s) or information included:</b></p> <p>11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</p> <p>12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</p> <p>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.</p> <p>14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76</p> <p>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</p> <p>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</p> <p>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825.</p> <p>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</p> <p>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</p>					
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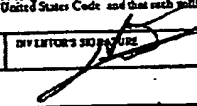
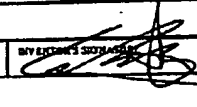
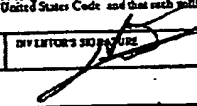
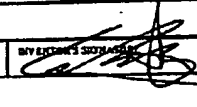
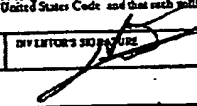
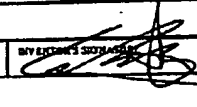
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<p>As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below and to my name, that I verify that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or a joint inventor (if plural inventors are named) of the subject matter which is claimed in the application for which this declaration is made.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>COUPLING SYSTEM BETWEEN HIGH-VOLTAGE ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT</b></p> <p>The specification of which is attached hereto, unless the following box is checked</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> was filed on <u>07 JUNE 2004</u> as United States patent Application Number or PCT International patent application number <u>PCT/ES2004/000260</u> and was amended on _____ (if any)</p> <p>I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification including the claims as amended by any amendment referred to above.</p> <p>I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to be material to patentability in accordance with Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations § 1.56.</p> <p>I hereby claim priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or United States provisional application(s) filed before and here also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.</p> <p>Print Foreign or Provisional Application(s)</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th>COUNTRY</th> <th>APPLICATION NUMBER</th> <th>DATE OF FILING (day, month, year)</th> <th>PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 35 U.S.C. 119</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>SPAIN</td> <td>P200301699</td> <td>18/07/2003</td> <td>YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and under the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 35, Code of Federal Regulations § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application on which the claim or PCT international filing date of this application</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th>UNITED STATES APPLICATION NUMBER</th> <th>DATE OF FILING (day, month, year)</th> <th>STATUS (patented, pending, abandoned)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>I hereby appoint undersigned as 2332 OSTROLENKO, FABER, GERD &amp; SOFFEN, LLP and the members of the firm, Samuel H. Weiner - Reg. No. 18,510; Robert C. Faber - Reg. No. 24,122; Man Mohan Mehta - Reg. No. 20,576; James A. Finkler - Reg. No. 30,172; William O. Gray, III - Reg. No. 30,944; Louis C. DiPasquale - Reg. 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